



Toby T. Mathew, MHA/MBA
Assistant Director
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Toby T. Mathew, MHA/MBA, was appointed Assistant Director at the South Texas Veterans Health Care System (STVHCS) in December 2008. In this capacity, he is charged with overall management responsibility for Engineering Service, Office of Information & Technology, Environmental Management Service, Voluntary Service, Recreation Therapy, Emergency Management, and Veteran Canteen Services; providing directional authority to approximately 450 employees; \$50M operational budget and \$156M construction budget which includes the construction of the VA's fifth Polytrauma Rehabilitation Center and Ambulatory Surgery & Specialty Outpatient Center in the VA Texas Valley Coastal Bend Health Care System in Harlingen, Texas.

Prior to joining the STVHCS, Mr. Mathew served as Health System Specialist for the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Operations and Management in VA Central Office, Washington, DC. Prior to that appointment, he served as Director, Diagnostic Referral Center and Supervisory Health System Specialist for the Medical Care Line at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center in Houston, Texas.

Mr. Mathew joined the VA in May 2002 through the Graduate Healthcare Administration Training Program (GHATP) as an Administrative Resident at the Michael E. DeBakey VAMC in Houston, Texas. In addition, he is a graduate of the VISN 16 Leadership Development Institute (LDI), Health Care Leadership Institute (HCLI), and Executive Career Field Candidate Development Program (ECFCDP). He also serves as a certified Mentor to various VISN 17 LDI and STVHCS LEAD candidates.

A native of Houston, Texas, Mr. Mathew received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Texas Tech University in 1999, and graduate degrees in Healthcare Administration and Business Administration from the University of Houston – Clear Lake in 2003. Mr. Mathew is an active member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and Healthcare Financial Management Association and participates in a number of other professional organizations.